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It is certified that error appears in the above-identified patent and that said Letters Patent is hereby corrected as shown below:

Column 28,

Lines 51-64 should read as follows:

-- A method for stable transformation of freshly excised embryos said method comprising:

- (a) obtaining at least one immature embryo from a maize plant:
- (b) introducing a nucleotide construct into at least one cell of said immature embryo by microprojectile bombardment comprising 0.6 $\mu$  Au particles, rupture disk rating of about 200 p.s.i., and positioning said immature embryo between about 8 cm and about 12 cm from the macrocarrier platform wherein said microprojectile bombardment occurs within 6 hours of obtaining said immature embryo and wherein no external auxin comes in contact with the immature embryo before microprojectile bombardment is performed. --

Signed and Sealed this

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A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Jon W. Dudas". The signature is stylized with a large, looping initial "J" and a distinct "D" at the end.

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